

## Postal Service 7 Dec 1988

Thinking Aloud: Recently I was visiting with some friends and the conversation evolved around Christmas, and sending those wonderful seasonal greetings through the mail. That got my mind working on the many letters and pieces of mail sent and delivered each year. I picked up an article written by Ralph Boldt, William F. Bolger Management Academy, and read: "Last year, Postal Service employees processed and delivered nearly 154 billion pieces of mail." Most people cannot imagine what a billion is much less 154 billion. To give you an idea of the magnitude of the amount of mail the Postal Service handled, consider the following:

- If you count one number per second and do not stop for breaks, food or sleep, it will take you 31.71 years to reach one billion.
- One billion seconds ago, Eisenhower was President.
- One billion minutes ago was 85 years after the birth of Christ.
- One billion hours ago was 112,168 BC.
- One billion days ago was 2,737,739 BC, man — as we know him — was just making an appearance.

But one billion pieces of mail ago was just about two days ago.

I, for one, appreciate the many Postal Service employees who

ning at 9 a.m. this will be the only meeting held. Please plan to attend with your family.

Bishop Smart announces Tithing Settlement Dec. 27 through 31. Please schedule your appointment with Boyd Whiting, Executive Secretary.

Relief Society reminders: All Visiting Teachers are invited to a meeting Wednesday, Dec. 28 at the Ward Relief Society Room at 7 p.m.

Sustained: Brenda Richins, Assistant Basketball Coach, Young Women.

serve us, the public, each day. Who listen to our worries about getting our packages, letters and miscellaneous items to those intended. Thanks for delivering the best form of communication still available to man, for still the "best price."

Recuperation: Clarence Thompson is home from the hospital and doing well. Mac Muir has must returned home from his hospital stay at Holy Cross Hospital. Emma Young was re-admitted to the Wasatch County Hospital, and is finally able to return home again.

Sports: Young men, between the ages of 14-18, are wanted to participate in the basketball games, beginning Tuesday, Dec. 6 and each Tuesday hereafter. Time is 9 p.m.

Church News: The Wallsburg Ward Primary children will be around to entertain you at your home singing some of your favorite Christmas songs. Look for them Saturday, Dec. 10, between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.

The Provo Temple will close Dec. 17 for the Christmas holiday, and reopen Jan. 3, 1989. Wallsburg Ward Christmas Party will be Wednesday, Dec. 21. Please plan to bring your family and join in the special festivities.

Sunday, Dec. 25 (Christmas Day), a special Christmas Sacrament meeting will be held. Begin-